

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 20, line 12 to read as follows:

The component (B) has a number average molecular weight of preferably 20,000 or more, and more preferably 30,000 to 80,000. If the number average molecular weight is less than 20,000, a domain in which the flame retardant is dispersed in the polyester is small, projections on the fiber surface are ~~large~~ small, and the fiber is highly glossy. If the molecular weight is too high, the dispersion domain is large, and the fiber is less colored.